

United States Department of State

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Dear Mr. Lloyd:

This is the initial agency decision on your December 24, 2018, request, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. § 552, to the Department of State, in which you requested records concerning Aldo Romeo Luigi. Marc.

The Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS) received your FOIA request on January 22, 2019. Your FOIA request was assigned the tracking number at the top of this letter. Please include the tracking number in all future communications concerning this FOIA request.

Your request seeks records of the National Archives and Records Administration. We are unable to process the request because we are not part of the National Archives and Records Administration. The U.S. Department of State is an agency of the U.S. federal government responsible for foreign affairs. You may wish to contact the National Archives and Records Administration directly with respect to the records you seek.

For further assistance or to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact our FOIA Requester Service Center or our FOIA Public Liaison via email to FOIAstatus@state.gov or by telephone at (202) 261-8484.

If you are not satisfied with the Department's determination in response to your request, you may administratively appeal by writing to: Appeals Officer, Appeals Review Panel, Office of Information Programs and Services (IPS), U.S. Department of State, State Annex 2 (SA-2), 515 22nd Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20522-8100, or faxed to (202) 261-8571. Appeals must be postmarked within 90 calendar days of the date of this initial agency decision letter. Please include a copy of this letter with your written appeal and clearly state why you disagree with the determinations set forth in this response.

Additionally, if you are not satisfied with the Department's determination in response to your request, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to inquire about the FOIA Mediation Services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, email address: ogis@nara.gov; telephone: (202) 741-5770; toll free number: 1-877-684-6448; facsimile: (202) 741-5769.

Sincerely,

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Office of Information Programs and Services